

Mid-Region Council of Governments of New Mexico

NEWS RELEASE

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Bernalillo County Residents: ALL ABOARD!

COMMUTER RAIL OPEN HOUSES TO BE HELD IN THE NORTH AND SOUTH VALLEYS

Residents of Bernalillo County's North and South Valleys will get a chance to hear more about the area's upcoming Commuter Rail Service. The Mid-Region Council of Governments is hosting a series of public meetings to which the public is invited and encouraged to attend:

South Valley
Wednesday, October 13th, 2004
Mountain View Community Center
201 Prosperity SE
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

North Valley Thursday, October 14th, 2004 Raymond G. Sanchez Community Center 9800 4th Street NW 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Information regarding the Belen to Bernalillo commuter rail service, scheduled to begin during November 2005, will be presented at these meetings. Bernalillo County residents will be served by a commuter rail stops in the South Valley and the North Valley. The South Valley commuter rail stop will be located at the northeast corner of 2nd Street and Rio Bravo Boulevard. In the North Valley, the commuter rail stop will be located either at the southeast corner of Alameda Boulevard and the railroad tracks <u>OR</u> at the northeast corner of El Pueblo Road and the railroad tracks.

In addition to the informational display material, Mid-Region Council of Governments and New Mexico Department of Transportation staff will be present to receive comments and answer questions.

If you would like to attend and have a special need request, please call MRCOG Transportation Program Manager Loretta Tollefson at 247-1750. Please allow the Mid-Region Council of Governments at least five days notice to accommodate your request.

For further information contact MRCOG at 247-1750 or by visiting our offices at 317 Commercial NE, Suite 104, Albuquerque, NM.

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